



2017 Brought Many Challenges and Changes



After many years of service to the District, its ratepayers and the community, Michael Sharp retired as General Manager and KMPUD hired Erik Christeson, P.E., who hails from Amador County, to take the helm.

January and February 2017 saw significant storm events, including rain on snow events, that wreaked havoc throughout the Valley. However, the end of 2017 has seen a less than auspicious start to the 2017-2018 winter. Regardless, KMPUD is prepared in case there is a repeat of last year's rain on snow events, and is working closely with Vail to ensure minimization of impacts should this situation occur again.

Also, 2017 saw two significant incidents related to propane. Although the exact causes are unknown, KMPUD undertook an aggressive program to ensure property owners upgraded the protection of their meters and pipelines on their property. The District reminds everyone that KMPUD ownership of electric, propane, water and sewer end at the pipeline in the road or property line and proper protection and maintenance of facilities on private property are the individual owners' responsibility. If you have any questions about your utilities, District Staff will be happy to offer advice regarding options on how to best protect them.

As in the past, this year saw a planned PG&E power outage, with more planned for 2018. These outages allow PG&E to maintain their generation and transmission facilities which provide power to the District. Staff successfully managed the transitions to back-up generator power, even during times of snow making and lift operation.

KMPUD has continued to facilitate an Economic Development group meeting this year, and thanks to the efforts of the participants, especially Amador County Supervisor Morgan and Alpine County Supervisor Woodrow, there are now flashing warning signs bounding the "Ice Box" with plans for installation of message signs this summer as well.

The Kirkwood Volunteer Fire Department had three successful fundraising events over the summer, raising a combined total close to \$40,000 to provide equipment for the firefighters and volunteers and to hire a seasonal fire fighter for the 2017-2018 winter season.

Overall, the District is proud of its accomplishments in 2017 and I thank all of the residents who have made my first three months at KMPUD so exciting and I look forward to working with all of you to tackle the challenges in 2018. As always, please let me know your thoughts and concerns at info@kmpud.com or via the District website at www.kmpud.com.

Follow this link to view the KMPUD Annual Report: <https://www.kmpud.com/wp-content/uploads/Annual-Report-2016-2017.pdf>

Happy New Year! **Erik M. Christeson, P.E., KMPUD General Manager**

Board & Committee Positions

At the December 8, 2017 Board meeting the Board elected a new slate of officers for a two-year term and selected the District Committees they will serve on.

President: Geoff Smith; Personnel Committee Chair
Vice President: Eric Richert; Planning Committee Chair, Finance Committee Member
Treasurer: Standish O'Grady; Finance Committee Chair, IT Committee Member
Secretary: Peter Dornbrook; Operations Committee Chair
Asst. Secretary: Bob Epstein; IT Committee Chair, Operations, Personnel and Planning Committees Member



Where Does Our Electric Power Come From?

Since November 1, 2014, the Kirkwood Meadows Public Utility District has purchased all of its power (except for emergency diesel generation) from the Western power grid. Grid power is produced from a number of sources including renewable resources such as biomass, geothermal heat, solar energy, hydroelectric sources and wind energy. It can also be produced from resources such as coal, natural gas or nuclear fuels. The Power Content Label on the right describes the sources of the electricity that the District produced and purchased during 2016. The District's purchases of grid power are categorized as "Unspecified sources of power," while the emergency diesel generation is classified as "Other."

The District is subject to California's Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS), which requires electricity providers to increase procurement from eligible renewable energy resources to 50% of total procurement by 2030. Following RPS guidelines, the District offset 20% of all electric sales through the purchase of Renewable Energy Credits from 2011 through 2015. In 2016, the District offset 25% of sales with renewables, and plans to increase to a 33% offset by 2020, and to a 50% offset by 2030.

For specific information about this electricity product, please contact the District at info@kmpud.com. For general information about the Power Content Label, contact the California Energy Commission at 1-844-217-4925 or <http://www.energy.ca.gov/sb1305/>

2016 POWER CONTENT LABEL		
Kirkwood Meadows PUD		
ENERGY RESOURCES	Power Mix	2016 CA Power Mix**
Eligible Renewable	0%	25%
Biomass & biowaste	0%	2%
Geothermal	0%	4%
Eligible hydroelectric	0%	2%
Solar	0%	8%
Wind	0%	9%
Coal	0%	4%
Large Hydroelectric	0%	10%
Natural Gas	0%	37%
Nuclear	0%	9%
Other	4%	0%
Unspecified sources of power*	96%	15%
TOTAL	100%	100%

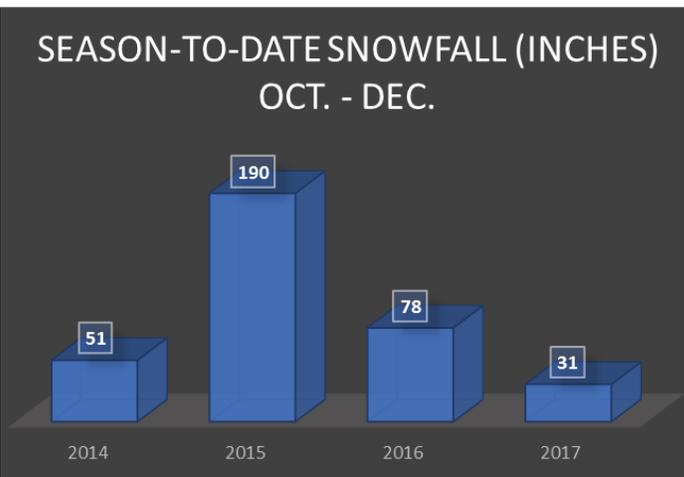
* "Unspecified sources of power" means electricity from transactions that are not traceable to specific generation sources.

** Percentages are estimated annually by the California Energy Commission based on the electricity sold to California consumers during the identified year.

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	209-258-4444
For general information about the Power Content Label, contact the California Energy Commission at:	California Energy Commission
	844-421-6229
	http://www.energy.ca.gov/pcl/

Season-to-Date Snowfall Comparison

The beginning of the 2017-2018 winter season has been cold and fairly dry, with seven small storms from October through December. Kirkwood has received just enough snow for the Resort to open and keep the skiers and snowboarders smiling. Season-to-date snowfall is currently 31 inches or 23% of average based on the last ten years. After brushing the snow off and repairing damage from the 2016-2017 monster winter, District staff is well prepared for the winter ahead. The fleet of snow removal equipment is in good working order and the Board has given staff the go ahead to purchase a new loader for the 2017-2018 winter season, increasing the efficiency of snow removal operations. The graph to the left shows a season-to-date snowfall comparison for the last four years.



Fire Service Master Plan

District Staff, with input from Planning Committee the Board, and community members have updated and finalized the 2018-2022 Fire Service Master Plan. At the December 8, 2017 Board meeting the Board approved the updated Fire Service Master Plan. You can view the Fire Service Master Plan on www.kmpud.com or by following this link: <https://www.kmpud.com/wp-content/uploads/FSMP-ADOPTED-12.08.17.pdf> If you have questions please call the District at (209)258-4444 or email the District General Manager, Erik M. Christeson at echristeson@kmpud.com



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